RE: Hilltop Securities Inc. Account Ending in XXXX

Your 1099 information will be processed at the beginning of March and is scheduled to be mailed prior to the March 16, 2020 postmark deadline.

Dear Investor:

As custodian of your investment account Hilltop Securities Inc. (HTS) is responsible for preparing and issuing certain tax forms related to your investment account(s). The IRS requires that we provide you a consolidated 1099 Composite Tax Statement. Your tax information, including your 1099 forms, will be delivered by (HTS) as early as possible in 2020 depending on the holdings in your account(s). Your tax statements may consist of the following: 1099-DIV, Dividends and Distributions, 1099-INT, Interest Income, 1099-OID, Original Issue Discount, 1099-B, Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions, 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income.

While HTS strives to limit the number of corrections issued, there are circumstances that require corrections based on the type of investments held. HTS has applied for and received an extension from the IRS for mailing 1099s until March 16, 2020. You are receiving this letter because your account(s) held one or more of the following investments known to result in a corrected 1099:

- A security identified to receive an income reallocation that has not been received by HTS from the issuer
- A Regulated Investment Company (RIC) or Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) identified as receiving a reallocation
- A Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduit (REMIC)/Collateralized Mortgage Obligation (CMO), Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDO), Widely Held Mortgage Trust (WHMT) and Unit Investment Trusts (UIT) pending additional detailed information from the issuer
- Other situations where HTS has identified your account as potentially receiving a corrected tax form

Your 1099 information will be processed at the beginning of March and is currently scheduled to be mailed prior to the March 16, 2020 postmark deadline. This allows HTS to capture more accurate and complete information from the issuers and will allow you to file your tax return in a more efficient manner. If you have any additional questions, please contact your Financial Advisor listed above.

Your satisfaction is paramount as we strive to provide superior service and we appreciate the continued opportunity to serve you, our valued customer.

Sincerely,

Hilltop Securities Inc. (HTS)